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In the news UES man found guilty of prostitution

NEW YORK. District Attorney Cyrus R. Vance Jr. announced the conviction of Upper East Sider Donnell Baines yesterday for running a sex-trafficking ring out of his apartment. Baines was nabbed when he brought one of his victims to Manhattan Criminal Court for a court date on assault charges related to another victim, prosecutors said.

• METRO/DT

In the news



Facebook chat deals result in muggings

BROOKLYN. Two muggings occurred as a result of attempts to buy and sell goods via Facebook, police said yesterday. The first occurred Oct. 12 at the Cypress Hills J line when a 16-year-old boy was mugged, police said. A 12-year-old male was mugged by the same four suspects nine days later, cops said. WMETRO/DT

Former Wall Street insider sentenced to prison

Fallen Wall Street insider Rajat Gupta was sentenced to two years in prison yesterday for leaking Goldman Sachs boardroom secrets to the hedge fund manager at the center of the U.S. government's crackdown on insider trading.

It was a much lighter sentence than prosecutors had sought.

Ŭ.S. District Judge Jed Rakoff



wrestled over the course of a two-hour hearing with the question of why Gupta, a oncerespected businessman, had turned his back on an "extraordinary" and "selfless" life to commit a crime he did not profit from directly.

"I have never encountered a defendant whose past history suggests such an extraordinary devotion ... to people in need," Rakoff said. Yet Gupta's past good deeds "starkly contrast with the nature and circumstances of his crimes."

Gupta, 63, had no visible reaction to the sentence. He was also ordered to pay a \$5 million fine.

A Manhattan federal jury found him guilty in June of feeding tips about Goldman Sachs at the height of the 2008 financial crisis to hedge fund tycoon Raj Rajaratnam, his friend and business associate. Rajaratnam is now serving an 11-year prison term for insider trading. Gupta's sentence was less than the eight to 10 years sought by prosecutors, but more than the punishment of probation and community service that Gupta's lawyers had requested. REUTERS

In the news

Church cancels Halloween celebration

LOWER MANHATTAN. A historic Manhattan church cancelled its annual Halloween celebration due to an ongoing standoff with remnants of the Occupy Wall Street movement. Trinity Church usually invites neighborhood children to watch classic silent films such as "Frankenstein" and "Dracula." But the church is breaking the tradition this year due to Occupy protesters and the homeless camping on the sidewalk outside. **REUTERS**

Cuomo creates party for New York brewers

NEW YORK. Gov. Andrew Cuomo wants to make alcohol produced in New York state the next celebrity cause. He's inviting top New York chefs and stars such as baseball's Derek Jeter and television's Whoopi Goldberg to a New York City tasting party to promote the state's beer, wine and spirits makers. The event is the latest idea backed by Cuomo to promote New York state products. BLOOMBERG

Fourth Family Justice Center announced

CITY HALL. Mayor Michael Bloomberg announced the creation of the city's fourth Family Justice Center yesterday. The new center will be in Manhattan and open in 2013. The other Family Justice Centers are in the Bronx, Queens and Brooklyn.

METROJAB

MTA promising Wi-Fi access after a mere six-year wait

Wi-Fi available in six stations now ◆ Set to expand to additional 30 over the next two years ◆ Advocate worries adding service will cause further annoyances

Subway riders who clutch their phones throughout underground commutes may want more than just music to listen to. They may want to check email or even make a call.

But those days for every subway rider are far off, an MTA representative told the City Council yesterday — 72 months away, in fact.

Craig Stewart, senior corporate management officer of the MTA, briefed City Council members yesterday about ways to bring more technology to the city's transportation lines, from countdown clocks to train updates.

One initiative that is ever so slowly on the rise is Wi-Fi access in subway stations.

Stewart told the council that AT&T and T-Mobile service began in six stations in August.

Next up? The remaining 271 underground stations, to be completed within 72 months from that date. They promise 30 stations within two years, Stewart said.

The project aims to set up wireless access only in stations, not in the tunnels in-between.

Gene Russianoff of the Straphangers Campaign told Metro that Wi-Fi is an amenity many people want but he is cautious about potentially annoying consequences.

"We wouldn't support wiring the tunnels so people could be acting on trains the way they do on the LIRR and Metro-North," Russianoff said.

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More iPhone thefts?

Some City Council members expressed security concerns that wireless access would lend itself to increased cell-phone use at a time when cell-phone snatching appears to be on the rise.

The MTA assured council members that it is working in collaboration with the NYPD to install more cameras in "around 140" of the total 460 stations.

460 There are stations in the MTA system. To combat theft, the NYPD wants to install cameras in 140 stations.

Which stations are online?

- C, E @ 23rd St
- A, C, E (A) 14th St
- L A 8th Ave
- 1, 2, 3 (A) 14th St
- F, M @ 14th St
- L A 6th Ave



Just six stations along New York City's subway system currently have wireless access. It could take years to hook up the rest of them.

How does

NYC compare?

How wired is New York City's underground transportation system compared to those of other major cities? Here's a look:

- San Francisco: SF's BART (Bay Area Rapid Transit) offers "a mostly continuous mobile signal ... on your wireless phone from Balboa Park into downtown SF, through the Transbay Tube and all throughout the Oakland underground," according to its website.
- Philadelphia: A media official at SEPTA in Philadelphia says Philly has wireless in its five transit hubs in the center of the city, which has been available for slightly more than two years.
- Chicago: A CTA media rep said Chicago riders already have 3G access underground, and Mayor Rahm Emanuel called in July for Wi-Fi in all tunnels.
- Washington, D.C.: Cell service providers have been setting up access for transit riders in D.C. for the past three years. The first 20 stations were enabled in 2009, and they expect to have all 86 in a matter of months.
- Boston: The MBTA currently has Internet access by service carriers in 26 stations and 13.1 miles of tunnel.

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Officials announce new plans for scanners at city airports

We will all soon be faceless body outlines in the eyes of TSA agents at city airports.

The controversial full body scanners criticized for being too invasive are being replaced at major airports, including John F. Kennedy Airport and LaGuardia Airport, with scanners that show a less revealing body image, officials said.

The full body scanners, called "backscatters," have been at the center of debates over airport security since they were introduced in 2009. Critics argue that they emit too much radiation and show revealing images of passenger's bodies beneath their clothing.

The TSA defended the scanners for their ability to detect non-metallic threats, including liquid explosives. The backscatters emit the same amount of radiation as two minutes of flying on an airplane, according to the TSA's



The new machine

The "millimeter wave" scanner is a newer, smaller machine and uses a rotating antenna to create a more generic outline of a passenger's body seen on the monitor for a TSA agent. It

does not use radiation, but rather radio waves.

TSA officials told Metro replacing the larger machines with millimeter wave scanners will allow for shorter wait times at security checkpoints and enhance passenger privacy. website.

The agency denied that the decision to switch out the backscatters had anything to do with radiation levels.

The decision came as welcome news to local politicians like Brooklyn Councilman David Greenfield, an outspoken critic of the backscatter full body scanners.

"I've been called by women who were convinced they were picked out of line by a TSA employee who wanted to see an image of them," Greenfield told Metro. "It's a significant improvement; it's still not perfect."

The backscatters were removed from LaGuardia earlier this summer, and the TSA is currently removing them from JFK, officials said. Newark never had backscatters.





FIONA GARDNER

Meet former Miss Subways

The "Meet Miss Subways" exhibit is now open at the New York Transit Museum. The exhibit features original "Miss Subways" advertising cards as they would have been seen in the subway decades ago, with photographs of Miss Subways now by photographer Fiona Gardner and interviews by journalist Amy Zimmer. Six vintage phones in the exhibit also play the women's interviews. Peggy Byrne, pictured here, was described in 1952 as a "petite Brooklyn-born colleen" who was studying to be an insurance broker and planned to wed her Army childhood sweetheart.

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What is PAL?

▶ In 1914, the thencommissioner of the NYPD, Arthur Woods, asked his police officers to do more than just fight crime: He wanted them to help some of the neediest New Yorkers in their precincts. Woods was particularly concerned about the lack of open space for New York City children to play. Today the organization Woods founded is known as the Police Athletic League, a nonprofit that helps set up safe recreation areas, afterschool programs and mentoring.

▶ Once a month, Metro will feature updates about what the Police Athletic League is doing and how it is working to help make New York City streets healthier and safer.

Police Athletic League puts more emphasis on education

The Police Athletic League's after-school programs always could be counted on for sports and arts instruction.

But this year, PAL is placing an increased focus on education, particularly with respect to science, technology, engineering and math.

The goal, according to PAL Executive Director Alana Sweeny, is to combat an achievement gap in low-income communities.

"They're really learning hands-on, and they're not even realizing they're learning," Sweeny said.

On a recent Friday at PAL's Sotomayor Community Center in the Bronx, fourth- and fifth-graders were being taught how to reduce, reuse and recycle, while in another room second- and third-graders were learning about air by drawing pictures and performing experiments.



PAL opens up three new centers

The Police Athletic League opened up three new centers this year: the Sotomayor Com-

munity Center in the Bronx, Pathways Prep in Queens and New World Prep in Staten Island. There are now 20 PAL centers across all five boroughs.

Quoted

"I enjoy coming here."

SEBASTIAN PAULINO, 9, WHO ATTENDS PAL'S AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM AT THE SOTOMAYOR COMMUNITY CENTER IN THE BRONX

Kids at the center also do homework, participate in fitness and arts activities, play games and look for robins, ladybugs and other nature.

"You question the environment around you, and you start to wonder what causes things, why things are the way they are," said Cesar Nina, one of the public school teachers hired by PAL this year with the help of city funding.





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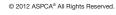
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New homes sales brighten housing picture

WASHINGTON. New single-family home sales surged in September to the highest level in $2\frac{1}{2}$ years, evidence the housing market recovery is

gaining steam.

The Commerce Department said that new home sales increased 5.7 percent to a seasonally adjusted 389,000-unit annual rate the fastest pace since April 2010, when sales were boosted by a tax credit for firsttime homebuyers. **REUTERS**

Mini iPad price will leave gap in market

Apple's "iPad mini" will attract new customers, but the higher-than-expected will come as a relief to lowcost tablets such as Amazon.com Inc's Kindle, analysts said, in a muted reaction to the new tablet.

Few analysts revised their price targets for Apple in the wake of the announcement, with one raising their target and one cutting it.

'We believe the iPad mini, with its \$329 starting price for the 16GB WiFi-only model, will help Apple reach a new customer base, particularly for holiday gifts to teenagers that may not have been able to afford the higher-end iPad," Canaccord Genuity analyst Michael Walkley wrote in a research note

He raised his price target slightly on the stock to \$800 from \$797.



"We were hoping the price would be at least a little lower"

BARCLAYS CAPITAL ANALYST BEN REITZES

'We were hoping the price would be at least a little lower, given its competition is situated as low as \$99, with many starting in the \$199-to-\$249 range," Barclays Capital analyst Ben Reitzes said. REUTERS

Price too high?

\$329 starting price for a Wi-Fi-only "iPad mini" was higher than many expected, and some analysts said the gadget might lure buyers away from Apple's \$499 flagship 10-inch iPad, yet struggle to compete with the cheaper Amazon Kindle Fire and Google Inc's Nexus 7.

In the news

Millennium bomber sentence increased to 37 years

SEATTLE. "Millennium bomber" Ahmed Ressam, whose original 22-year



prison term was deemed too lenient by an appeals court, was sentenced

to 37 years behind bars yesterday for a foiled New Year's Eve 1999 plot to bomb the Los Angeles International Airport.

Federal prosecutors who appealed the original punishment had asked the Seattle-based district judge presiding over the case to impose a new sentence that would require Ressam, an Algerian national, to spend the rest of his life in prison.





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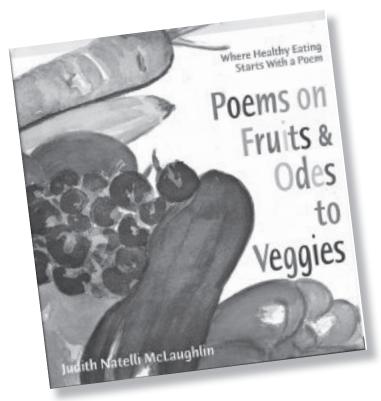
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More than 60 Barnes & Noble stores get hit by PIN pad fraud

Barnes & Noble Inc., said yesterday that customers who shopped at 63 of its stores as recently as last month may have had their credit or debit card information stolen in what the U.S. bookstore chain called a "sophisticated criminal effort."

The retailer, which operates a total of almost 700 bookstores, said that federal law enforcement authorities have been informed of the breach and that it is supporting their investigation.

Barnes & Noble said it had detected tampering with one personal identification number (PIN) pad device at each of the 63 affected stores and by Sept. 14 had disconnected all the pads at every one of its stores. The tampering affected fewer than 1 percent of its PIN pads.

The company said it did not know how many customers were affected. The stores are in California, Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania and Rhode Island, Barnes & Noble said.

Still, the company said its customer database was secure, and that purchases made on the Barnes & Noble website, Nook e-reader and Nook mobile apps were not affected. It college campus stores were affected. REUTERS



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How the scam works

Barnes & Noble advised customers who have swiped their cards at any of the affected stores to change their debit card PIN numbers as a precaution, and to check their statements for unauthorized transactions.

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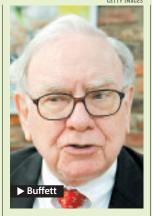


News in brief

Buffett: Clear sign global economy is slowing

NEW YORK. Warren Buffett sees clear signs that the global economy is slowing, although the U.S. economy is "inching ahead" as other regions decline, the Berkshire Hathaway chief executive officer said yesterday.

day.
Yet despite the weakness,
Buffett said he was "salivating" to make another major
acquisition, adding that two
deals of around \$20 billion
each had fallen through this
year.



In an interview on CNBC, Buffett said the rate of decline was larger in Asia than in Europe, although the Asian economies are declining off a higher base.

REUTERS

Women have just 20 percent of world's powerful positions — study

NEW YORK. Women have gained little ground in political leadership around the world, with men still in about 80 percent of key elected and appointed positions, according to the World Economic Forum's annual Global Gender Gap Report.

"Some countries are moving in the right direction, but very slowly," said Saadia Zahidi, head of the WEF's Women Leaders and Gender Parity program, in an interview before the release of the 2012 report. "We're talking about very small and slow changes."

BLOOMBERG

GOP candidate explains 'God's will' rape remark as a misunderstanding

Richard Mourdock, the Republican candidate in a tight race for a U.S. Senate seat in Indiana, said he was sorry if anyone misunderstood his comment that pregnancy resulting from rape can be "something that God intended to happen."

Mourdock said some people took his remarks at a debate on Tuesday night as condoning rape. He said he abhors rape and violence against women.

Mourdock made the controversial comments during a campaign debate with Democratic Representative Joe Donnelly and Libertarian Andrew Horning.

While explaining his position that the only exception to a ban on abortion should be for the life of a mother, Mourdock said: "I struggled with it myself for a long time, but I came to realize that life is that gift from God, and I think even when life begins in that horrible situation of rape, that it is something God intended to happen."

Earlier in the week, the Mourdock campaign issued an



"I apologize that they came away, and I have certainly been humbled by the fact that so many people think that somehow was an interpretation"

ad featuring Romney's endorsement of the Indiana Republican, saying Mourdock's vote in the Senate could be crucial to repealing Obama's health reform law. REUTERS

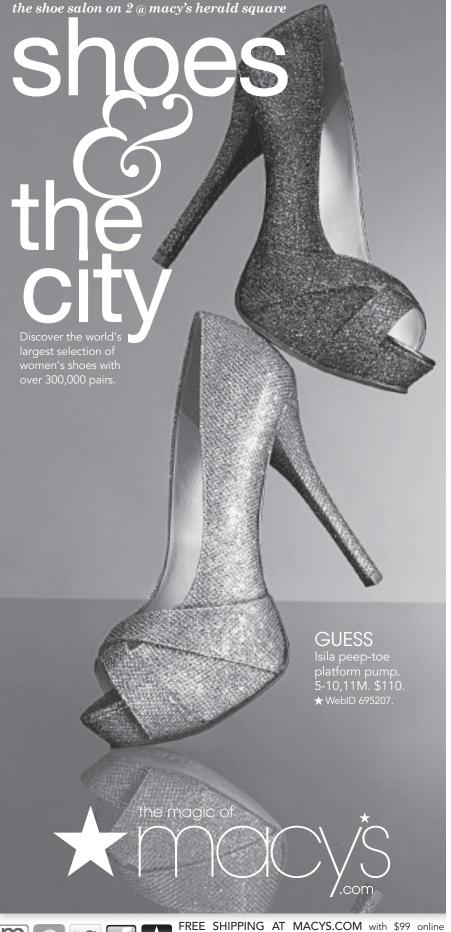
RICHARD MOURDOCK

Another GOP rape comment

The Mourdock incident was the second time during the 2012 election campaign that a conservative Republican candidate for the U.S. Senate made controversial remarks about rape.

Missouri candidate Todd Akin said in August that women have natural defenses against pregnancy from "legitimate rape." Republicans disavowed Akin's comment and he has trailed Democratic Senator Claire McCaskill in most polls since then.

Some Republicans distanced themselves from Mourdock's comments on Wednesday and Democrats pounced on the remarks, which threatened to put at risk in November a U.S. Senate seat held by Republicans. REUTERS



In the news Man killed at Atlanta church

ATLANTA. A gunman opened fire in a suburban Atlanta megachurch killing a man who was leading a morning prayer service and then fleeing in a car, police said.

The suspect, identified as Floyd Palmer, a 52-year-old former church maintenance worker who resigned in August, walked calmly into the service at the World Changers Church International in College Park, Ga., and fired multiple shots, Fulton County Police Corporal Kay Lester said.

The victim, described only as a 39-year-old church volunteer, was taken to a local hospital where he died.

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As many as 25
people were inside
the church at the
time of the shooting.

West Nile virus death toll hits 200



The U.S. outbreak of West Nile virus has killed 219 people this year, after another 36 deaths from the mosquito-borne disease were reported last week.

In what is the second-worst year on record for the disease, the total number of cases of West Nile virus across the United States grew to 4,725, with 194 new cases reported, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Although the pace of new

cases has slowed since the outbreak's peak in the late summer, new cases continue to be reported, particularly in states where warm temperatures persist. This year's outbreak has trailed only 2003 in total cases.

Just over half of the cases reported to the CDC this year have been of the severe neuroinvasive form of the disease, which can cause meningitis and encephalitis. **REUTERS**

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Penguin photo wins top award

"Bubble-jetting emperors" by Canadian photographer Paul Nicklen has won the globally acclaimed Veolia Environnement Wildlife Photographer of the Year competition. This image of the chaotic underwater world of emperor penguins at the edge of the Ross Sea,

Antarctica, beat more than 48,000 entries from 98 countries to claim the prize.

"The penguins definitely fed off my energy. But I was lucky as I was almost killed by a deadly leopard seal the previous day," he said.

METRO WORLD NEWS

Story behind

the photo

- Nicklen stayed motionless, waiting for the penguins. Suddenly the birds blasted from the depths and, with frozen fingers, Paul captured this incredible image. "It was a fantastic sight," Nicklen said. "Hundreds launched themselves out of the water and on to the ice above me.
- "It was a moment that I felt incredibly fortunate to witness and one I'll never forget."

Other winner

Bird vs. airplane captures prize

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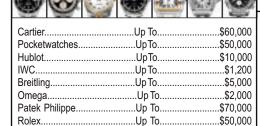
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Romney inches ahead in polls

Republican candidate Mitt Romney was one percentage point ahead of President Barack Obama in yesterday's Reuters/Ipsos daily tracking poll in a presidential race that is effectively a dead heat less than two weeks before the Nov. 6 election.

In a reversal of Tuesday's results, Romney led Obama among likely voters by 47 percent to 46 percent, a statistically insignificant margin, in the four-day online tracking poll.

Obama had a lead of 53-42 percent among the 17 percent of the surveyed registered voters who said they had already cast their vote. Like many other polls, the rolling Reuters/Ipsos poll has shown a tight race since shortly after the two candidates met for their first debate on Oct. 3. REUTERS

[SOMEONE HAS TO BE NO. 2]

Costly truth: Trump to give \$5M to charity if **Obama shows records**

Donald Trump offered to pay \$5 million to the charity of President Barack Obama's choice if Obama releases his college and passport records, the real estate mogul and television personality said on Wednesday.

"Frankly, it's a check that I very much want to write," Trump said in a YouTube video released via his Twitter and Facebook pages.

Trump has questioned whether Obama's birth certifiquestioned cate issued by the state of Hawaii is legitimate, suggesting Obama was not born in the United States, which could have made him ineligible for the White House. The White House released the long-form copy of Obama's birth certificate in 2011.

Trump did not say what he expected the college and passports records to reveal but was specific in saying he wanted to see all of Obama's college applications and records and his passport applications and

Trump said the deadline is 5 p.m. on Oct. 31. REUTERS



Americans easily angered by lack of records?

"President Obama is the least transparent president in the history of this country. If he releases these records, it will end the question and indeed the anger of many Americans." TRUMP

White whale of a deal

Obama predicts deficit deal with Republicans

President Barack Obama voiced confidence that if re-elected he would secure within six months a deficit-reduction deal with Republicans equivalent to the . "grand bargain" he failed to achieve last year.

Win or lose, Obama faces a so-called "fiscal cliff" of automatic across-the-board spending cuts and tax increases set for the end of the year.



"It will probably be messy. It won't be pleasant. But I am absolutely confident that we can get ... the grand bargain."

Promises, promises

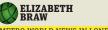
Obama's hope: Where did it go?

Dan Palmer, 22, spends his days manning phone banks and making sure his fellow students are registered to vote. Oh, and he studies for a political science degree. "People talk about an enthusiasm gap, but people my age are just as enthusiastic about Obama as we were four years ago", Palmer says. "It's

just that many of the 2008 volunteers have jobs now and can't volunteer."

In 2008, Barack Obama's campaign attracted a vast army of enthusiastic volunteers.

'This year I made a onetime donation, but I'm not working on the campaign. I'll be voting for Obama in 2012, but it's due more to my belief that Romney would be a worse president," says Brian Massie, a 2008 volunteer.



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THE GREAT GEOGRAPHIC UNKNOWN

President Barack Obama clearly dominated Mitt Romney on style and substance in Monday's final debate on foreign policy. But beyond the gamesmanship of who won or lost, Mitt Romney betrayed a level of ignorance so profound that it should disqualify him from being president.

n Monday night, Romney tried to explain that Syria is strategically important to Iran because Syria is Iran's "route to the sea." First of all, simply looking at a map reveals how idiotic this is.

yria doesn't even share a border with Iran you would have to go through Turkey or Iraq. Even worse, Iran has 2,000 miles of its very own coastline along the Caspian Sea and the Persian Gulf. Iran's "route to the sea" is nothing more than "any road heading north-south."

his is the seventh time Romney's has made this ridiculous argument this year, without once correcting it. Even after Monday's debate, Romney's campaign insisted that Romney merely meant to say that Syria is Iran's route to the "Mediterranean Sea."

But this is just as ignorant — Iran has ample access to the Mediterranean through its neighbor and trading partner Turkey.

magine if it had been President Obama who had shown this level of ignorance on such a vital issue. Republicans would talk of nothing else. Yet, what should be the biggest headline from Monday's debate has mostly been ignored (it wasn't even mentioned in yesterday's Metropolitik).

This isn't just a bit of trivia. The use of economic **south."** sanctions to deter Iran from any potential nuclear ambitions has been the central national security issue in this election.

Quoted

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share a border with Iran vou would have to go through Turkey or Iraq. Even worse. Iran has 2,000 miles of its very own coastline along the Caspian Sea and the Persian Gulf. Iran's "route to the sea" is nothing more than "any road heading north-



ow can Mitt Romney even comprehend those sanctions, let alone criticize how the President has been using them, when he L doesn't even understand the basic geography of Iran, or how and with whom it trades?

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Pressure mounts on new NY Times chief executive over child abuse scandal in UK

In the news

US sues Bank of America over 'Hustle' mortgage fraud

NEW YORK. The United States filed a fraud lawsuit against Bank of America Corp., accusing it of causing taxpayers more than \$1 billion of losses



by selling thousands of toxic mortgage loans to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.

Yesterday's case, originally brought by a whistleblower, is the U.S. Department of Justice's first civil fraud lawsuit over mortgage loans sold to the big mortgage financiers, which were bailed out in 2008

It also compounds the legal problems that Bank of America Chief Executive Brian Moynihan faces over the second-largest U.S. bank's disastrous July 2008 purchase of Countrywide Financial Corp, once the nation's largest mortgage lender. REUTERS

Incoming New York Times chief Mark Thompson yesterday said his U.S. employer had given him full support since a sexual abuse scandal erupted at Britain's BBC where he had been in charge until last month.

His handling of the matter at the British Broadcasting Corporation should not prevent him from starting his new job in November as planned, he said.

"All of my colleagues here in the management team of the New York Times have been very supportive on this and more broadly as I prepare to take on the job. I've been very well supported as the incoming CEO of this company."

The BBC has been rocked by accusations of sexual abuse involving a former TV host, the late Jimmy Savile, and claims it had covered up his alleged crimes and dropped its own

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"These allegations do leave many institutions, perhaps particularly the BBC, with serious questions to answer."

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news expose while Thompson was in charge.

The furor prompted Margaret Sullivan, public editor of the New York Times, to question whether Thompson was now fit to take up the role of president and chief executive of the respected American company, REUTERS

Furor

The furor is the biggest controversy to hit the BBC since its director general and chairman resigned in 2004 after a judge-led inquiry ruled it had wrongly reported that former Prime Minister Tony Blair "sexed up" intelligence to justify the 2003 invasion of Iraq.

The Savile investigation

Jimmy Savile was a music show presenter and radio DJ at the BBC for more than 40 years.

He died 18 months ago at 84 — and allegations that he abused children who visited him during BBC TV shows soon emerged.

There also have been claims he abused sick women and children at a number of hospitals where he volunteered during charity work. U.K. police are investigating more than 400 separate allegations of abuse against Savile, many of them

carried out during his 40-year career inside the BBC.

Police say Savile was a "predatory sex offender."

A year ago, the BBC's own Newsnight news program planned an investigation into allegations of abuse committed by Savile during his time at the BBC.

U.K. politicians now are trying to discover which BBC bosses knew what, and when, about the abuse allegations. Savile worked for the BBC for almost the entire eight-year reign of Mark Thompson as the ultimate head of the BBC, the director general. Thompson ran the \$5B, global operation from 2004-2012.

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THE WORD



Metro's **Dorothy Robinson** shares her take on the world of gossip **@dorothyatmetro and dorothy.robinson@metro.us**

Could Simpson's clothing line have company in the closet?

The feed ...

Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Russell Brand prefers the monarchy, Carrie Fisher is opening up, Garry Shandling has some ideas to improve "American Idol" and Sarah Silverman is getting savvy about religion.

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Mitt and Barack are not proper names. I'd like an elderly female candidate in a crown.

@CarrieFFisher

I'm a failed anorexic.

(A) Garry Shandling

Like to see a REAL reality talent show: the contestant goes backstage with a Hollywood producer and we never find out how they got the job.

ASarahKSilverman People in cults don't call their cults cults



Looks like **Ashlee** and **Jessica Simpson** are going to have a lot to talk about around the Thanksgiving dinner table.

First up? Their mother, **Tina Simpson**, filed for divorce from their father, **Joe Simpson**, after 34 years of marriage last month. "It is an amicable split and there is no third party involved," a rep for the family says. "Any other related allegations are completely false. The family appreciates your respect for their privacy at this time."

The "allegations" they refer to? Well, the National Enquirer is reporting that their father, Joe Simpson, is gay. According to the tabloid, Simpson has a 20-year-old boyfriend, who was reportedly in the car with the former youth pastor and Baptist minister when he was busted for a DUI on Aug. 4.

I'll give you a second to let that sink in.



Got it together? Good. The National Enquirer even has a source from the family: "The police report stated that there was someone else in the car with Joe. Some reports have stated it was Tina, but now the belief is that it may well have

been a boyfriend."

Of course, there is a good chance this is just a big, fat and very juicy rumor. After all, if Jessica Simpson's father were gay, don't you think her shoe line would be a little more fierce?

Houston family makes reality TV show

Whitney Houston's family is making a reality TV show, supposedly about how they are "coping" with the loss of the pop star. "The Houstons: On Our Own" premiered last night on Lifetime.

"The show has kept the family close together, [instead of] isolated from one another. We talk about things, we are very open, and we pay attention to the ones who need consoling the most," **Pat Houston**, Whitney's manager and sister-inlaw, told Reuters.

The show opens with Houston's 19-year-old daughter, **Bobbi Kristina**, drinking an alcoholic beverage and announcing her engagement to **Nick Gordon**, 23, the boy Whitney Houston "adopted."

Didn't anyone in that family learn anything about shoving a young girl into the spotlight when maybe she wasn't mature enough to handle it?

Talking points

No *NSYNC reunion at Timberlake's wedding

Justin Timberlake only had room for two of his former *NSYNC band mates on the guest list for his wedding to Jessica Biel last week, according to Us Weekly. While JC Chasez and Chris Kirkpatrick got to enjoy the lavish event in southern Italy, Lance Bass and Joey Fatone had to stay home. "Justin thought a reunion would overshadow the wedding," a source says. "And Justin hates Lance now."



Watson heads back to school

Emma Watson is going back to school. After enrolling in Brown University in the fall of 2009, the British actress took a leave of absence from the Ivy League school in March 2011. "I love Brown and I love studying pretty much more than anything, but recently I've had so much to juggle that being a student and fulfilling my other commitments has become a little impossible," Watson wrote on her blog at the time. She then spent her junior year abroad, studying at Oxford University before delaying her return to Brown once again to film a number of projects this summer and fall. But her rep assures Gossip Cop that the "Harry Potter" star will be back on campus for the 2013 winter





semester.

Longoria and Sanchez break up

Eva Longoria and NFL star Mark Sanchez have split up after a couple of months of dating, a rep for Sanchez confirms to Us Weekly. "Mark adores and respects Eva," the rep says. "It was really about scheduling more than anything else. They will remain close friends." And an anonymous source for the magazine confirms the cause: "There was no drama," the source says. "They just have completely different schedules and lifestyles." Longoria confirmed she was dating Sanchez in early September.

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The Pumpkin Pie Show: Halloween All-Stars' Thursday-Saturday, 8 p.m., Under St. Marks, 94 St. Marks Pl., \$18

This year's sick storytelling series features monologues about bad doctors, pumpkin sex, the discovery of the clitoris and the true story of an Arizona pedophile who passed as a 12year-old for four months. **JOHN**

'Rough Approximations: A Devil's Tale' Friday-Nov. 4, 8 p.m., St. Mark's Church, 131 E. 10 St., \$14-\$18

The multi-talented weirdos of Tenement Street Workshop return with a moving play that follows a band of siblings from child to adulthood as they search for answers to their mother's mysterious drowning.

Silent Drape Runners present MAGICK: A Ritual for BOB

Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Magic Futurebox, 55 33 St., Sunset Park, \$15/\$10 advance

A fully immersive ritual using sound and images to channel the presence of Bob from "Twin Peaks," followed by performance artist Michelle Levy seeking out the spirit of Dale Cooper to balance collective energies. Plus: open wine bar. **LEAH TAYLOR**

NIGHTLIFE Club HELL

Saturday, 11 p.m.-6 a.m., Knockdown Center, 52-19 Flushing Ave., Queens, \$20/\$15

Ghe2o G0th1k's trailblazing geniuses Venus X and \$hayne join a roster that includes the watery funk of Nguzunguzu and the brilliant, cutting-edge world music tech of Fatima Al Qadiri. HELL is awesome tonight. Russ MARSHALEK

Carnival des Corbeaux Friday-Wednesday, 10:30 p.m., The McKittrick Hotel, 530 W. 27 St., \$150

Each night is themed in a different, eccentric way. Our money's on the witch-themed night, given that our favorite character in the show is the mysterious and omnipotent Hecate. There's also an open bar. RM



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lion, to ever be sold for public auction — graces New York with its presence for a sevenmonth stint at the MoMA. ELANA LEOPOLD



Arts Tim Burton **Burlesque**

Friday, 9 p.m.-midnight, Bar Matchless, 557 Manhattan Ave., \$7 Who wouldn't want to watch scantily clad dancers shaking it while dressed up (and dressing down) like Winona Ryder, Johnny Depp or maybe the Joker? We're hoping for a tribute to "Cabin JASON DIAMOND

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MARY ELIZABETH WINSTEAD GETS 'SMASHED'

• Hipster dreamgirl takes on the role of a woman struggling with alcoholism in her latest film

he's made a name for herself backing up a vampire-slaying Abraham Lincoln, as John McClaine's daughter in "Live Free or Die Hard" and as a hipster dream girl in "Scott Pilgrim vs. the World." But despite the fun she's had in the pop culture movie world, Mary Elizabeth Winstead has been hungry for a good, solid indie drama. But taking on the lead in "Smashed" did come with a few hesitations.

"It was scary for me to take it on because I'd never done anything like that before. And I think for years, like most actors, you sit around going, 'Why can't I get one of those parts that's, like, really great?" Winstead says with a laugh. "But then when you actually get the part you're like, 'Oh s—, I have to figure out how to do this.' So it was a little scary. But just the fact that I got through it and I did it and the response has been good, my confidence has grown a

Playing an elementary school teacher who realizes she's an alcoholic held several challenges, not least of which was convincingly pretending to be drunk. "It's really daunt-



"The whole thing about being drunk is that you're out of control. And if you're acting, you're ... in control and it kind of defeats the whole purpose of making it authentic." MARY ELIZABETH WINSTEAD

ing. Even the best actors sometimes, it's just really hard," she admits. "The whole thing about being drunk is that you're out of control. And if you're acting, you're sometimes sort of in control and it kind of defeats the whole purpose of making it authentic."

Luckily, Winstead found help in the form of a book, "The Power of the Actor," given to her by co-writer and director James Ponsoldt. "It has

an entire chapter dedicated to playing drunk," Winstead explains. "It's kind of just like hypnosis in a way. You just take yourself through all the steps of what it feels like to be drunk, and it just kind of plays a little mind trick on you and you feel really loose and out of your body. It really helped just let me let go of the fear of worrying about whether it felt real or not because I just felt really loose and buzzed, for sure."

f course, that only covers half of the journey her character takes. To research the heart of the story, Winstead spent a month attending Alcoholic Anonymous meetings around Los Angeles — though always at the invitation of a member. "It was great. Everyone was so relatable, and that was my first step," she says. "This wasn't someone different from me. She drinks, and I don't drink a lot, but if you take that part out of it she's pretty much exactly like me. That was my first step into figuring her



crime?

METRO WORLD NEWS IN LOS ANGELES

Crime pays

Why do you think there

continues to be this appeal

of movies about drugs and

I think it's interesting and

exciting, I suppose. It's like

The sport of stripping

Agyness Deyn has made a lot of headlines for her "retirement" from modeling to pursue an acting career. But with the release of her first major film role — as the stripper girlfriend of a small-time drug dealer in "Pusher" — Deyn turns to Metro to set the record straight on that retirement thing.

Since you've started acting, you've been labeled as "retired" from modeling. Is that accurate?

The more acting I do, the less modeling I do - because of physical time but also because my enjoyment for one rather than the other is more. I did modeling for 12 years, and now this is so fresh and amazing that I just want to do this all the time.

How enlightening was your research into stripping for this role?

When I started working with girls on the London scene and going to work with them, the vision that you have of a stripper in your head from a fantasy perspective is like so a fantasy. I just hung out with them on a personal level, at their homes especially this one girl

called Jen who was amazing and so generous with everything about her. I went to work with her, and it was amazing, the security of the venues and the lifestyle - not just security as in the security guys, but those guys are like big brothers. It's like a big family. And the girls are really

Agyness

They're like athletes - their bodies and what they can do, and they make it look so easy. I just came away from it feeling

amazing at their job. something that's either and I feel like the majority of a lot of repeople, that's not their real spect for the life. [Lauahs]

hyperreality, you know? It's like the imagination of what you don't see in everyday

life, so you want to go to the movies and you want to see shocking in an emotional way or takes you on a journey in some way that's not your way in real life. It takes you away from your real life,

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'Parks and Recreation'

COMEDY. Halloween is more tricks than treats for Leslie, who is forced to contemplate her future with Ben when he receives a new job offer. 9:31 p.m., NBC

'The Big Bang Theory

COMEDY. Astronaut suit up: Buzz Aldrin guest stars in this Halloween-themed episode. Of course, it doesn't need to be Halloween for this gang to dress up/act like conquerors of outer space. 8 p.m., CBS

'The Office'

COMEDY. The office Halloween celebration includes a performance by Andy's a cappella group, but leads to a confrontation with his frenemy, Broccoli Rob (guest star Stephen Colbert). 9 p.m., NBC

'The Vampire Diaries'

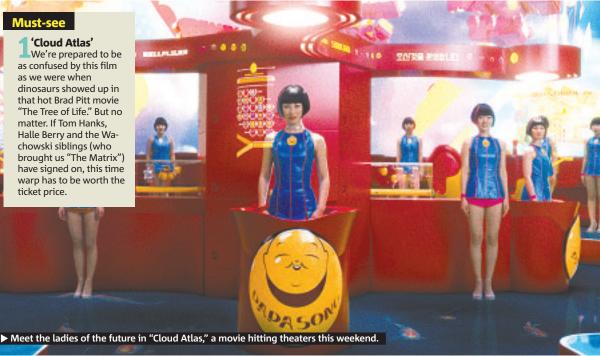
DRAMA. Elena is determined to live a "normal" life in Mystic Falls. Bwahahahaha ... when did this become a comedy? 8 p.m., The CW AMBER RAY

REASONS TO HIT THE MULTIPLEX

Must-see

'Cloud Atlas'

We're prepared to be as confused by this film as we were when dinosaurs showed up in that hot Brad Pitt movie "The Tree of Life." But no matter. If Tom Hanks, Halle Berry and the Wachowski siblings (who brought us "The Matrix") have signed on, this time warp has to be worth the ticket price.



'Chasing Mavericks'

Gerard Butler is the Bodhi to Jonny Weston's Johnny Utah in this story about a teen (Weston) who aspires to ride "maverick" waves and the cranky veteran surfer (Butler) who tutors him.

'Fun Size'

Fun Size Halloween. High school kids. A raging party. A lost younger brother. You imagine the rest.

'Silent Hill: Revelation 3D' The first "Silent Hill" film that came out in 2006 didn't exactly win the favor of critics. But perhaps this sequel, which like

its predecessor is based on the video game of the same name, will fare better in 3-D.

'Alex Cross'

While Madea endures a period of forced retirement, her creator and Dr. Jekyll extraordinaire Tyler Perry plays against type in this adaptation of the best-selling James Patterson crime thrillers based on the title character.

'Paranormal Activity 4' While we continue to mourn the end of the "Saw" franchise — just kidding, no one misses it — we are comforted by yet another franchise mainstay of the Halloween season.

'Argo'

Ben Affleck directs and stars in this engaging thriller about six American Foreign Service workers trapped in the home of a Canadian Ambassador during the 1979 Iranian hostage crisis.

'Seven Psychopaths' A screenwriter doesn't have to look far for inspiration when penning a new film about deranged individuals, considering his best friend steals dogs for a living.

'Sinister'

Prepare to be spooked by this haunting tale about a crime writer who moves his family into a home that was the scene of murders

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Avant-garde for the masses

▶ Looks from the Maison Martin Margiela with H&M line are finally revealed ◆ The collection reissues iconic pieces from the French house

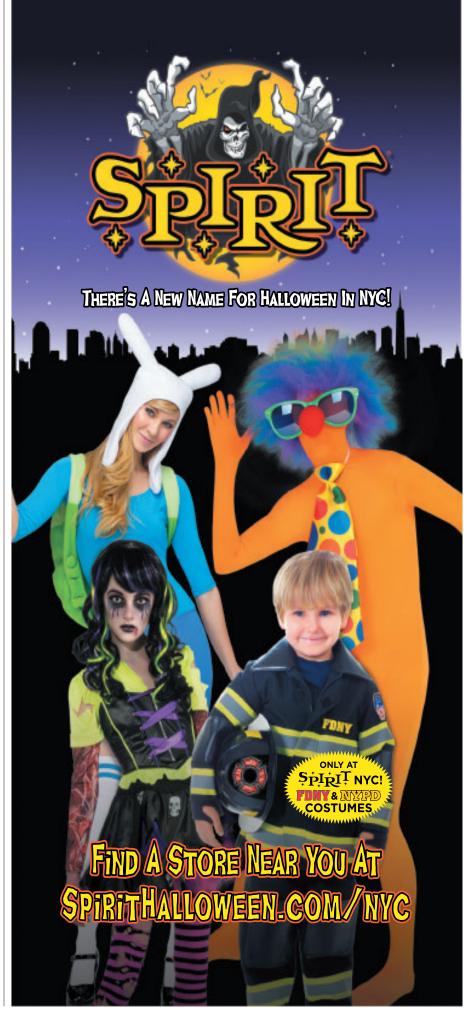
This has been one hell of a week for high-low designer collaborations. First, it was announced that Prabal Gurung is the next big name to create a line for Target. Next, Narciso Rodriguez feted his new collection for Kohl's DesigNation based on his trip to Istanbul. And yesterday, the granddaddy of them all took center stage: The unveiling of Maison Martin Margiela for H&M.

What makes this line so special is that it's basically a greatest hits retrospective of the avant-garde brand, including pieces from when elusive founder Martin Margiela was at

the creative helm. Expect to see the masculine silhouettes, oversized clothing, exposed seams and cool draping the house is known for, along with some of their more conceptual, kooky items, like mirrored leggings, candy wrapper clutch bags and a duvet-turned-coat. To celebrate the artsy collaboration, H&M threw a fitting soiree at a dilapidated nine-story building downtown. At the party/art installation, modern dancers performed in the looks for the audience, which included celebs such as Sarah Jessica Parker and Kanye West. We like how SJP summed it all up on the red carpet: "What can I say about H&M? All you have to do is look at the men and women lined up very early to get a piece of a collection like this. It's make luxury available to people, and that's wonder-







my**dating**

Casual sex isn't all it's cracked up to be

• While some consider it the height of adventure, a one night stand with a stranger has little to offer

s babies, when we see strangers we scared and cling to our mommies. As toddlers, we're told not to talk to strangers or (God forbid) take their candy. And now, as adults, we think we should be able to sleep with one we meet at a bar and feel OK about it the next day. But if



we're honest with ourselves, having sex with someone you



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barely know is just kinda gross.

For my latest book — "Are All Guys Assholes?" — I traveled around the country talking to guys about (among other things) casual sex. Overwhelmingly, they described it as unsatisfying, disappointing and something that left them feeling empty. The men and

women I coach now echo the same feelings. And yet, in moments of weakness while longing for human connection, many continue to do it.

The truth is, the physical act of sex is pretty unappealing. At the time, sex feels sexy because it's more than the physical act; you're mixing in romantic feelings and arousal. The romantic feelings are important here — they're the things that cloud your judgment in the

most wonderful way so that you think that when the object of your affection burps, farts or snots all over themselves it's "cute." Take out the romantic feelings (because you can't have them for someone you barely know) and take out the arousal (which ends after an orgasm) and you're left with simply the act of sex and a strange sweaty body - not the human connection that probably motivated you in the first place.

The point of this article isn't

to be judgmental, make you feel guilty or ruin your plans for tonight. It's to encourage you to pursue the types of relationships — sexual or otherwise — that make you feel good. When you're young, single and living in a city there is so much pressure to be living your "glory days" to the fullest. But sometimes our idea of "fun" doesn't translate to actually being fun, and we owe it to ourselves to recognize the difference.

- Amber Madison is a Manhattan-based relationship expert and dating coach. She is the author of "Are All Guys Assholes?" for which she traveled the country, spoke to over 1,000 men and discovered that the answer to this question is no. You can follow her on Twitter **Aambermadi** or online at www.ambermadisononline.com



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Richard Karn, North Canton, Ohio

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As Al Borland on Home Improvement I was the man with all the answers. However, as Richard Karn I still look for money saving and efficient heating in my home. I have an EdenPURE® Infrared Portable Heater in my California home and like millions of others found it to be a super-safe, reliable source of portable heat all year long.

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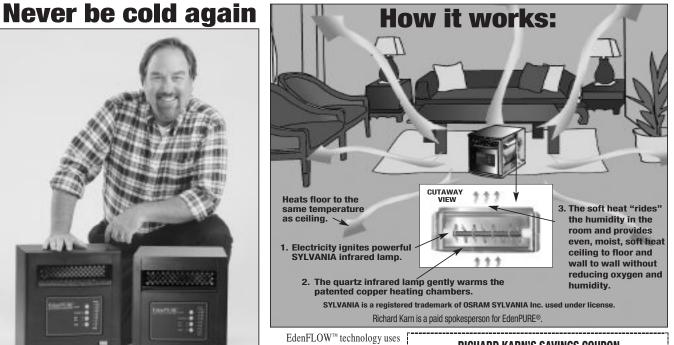
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Keeping your little ghosts and goblins safe this Halloween

◆ Your children can enjoy holiday traditions safely ◆ Experts weigh in on how to make sure you and your family don't experience any Halloween horrors ◆ Tips on dressing them appropriately

Tou'd never let your child go to a stranger's house unattended any other time of year, so why should Halloween be any different?

Nancy A. McBride, the National Safety Director for the Center for Missing & Exploited Children says children should be accompanied by a parent or trusted adult and walked to the door by the parent to receive treats.

"Know the neighborhood in which you plan to trick-ortreat. Pick houses that you feel comfortable letting your child visit. Do not visit homes that are isolated or poorly lit," she says. Make sure your child is able to see and move easily in his or her costume. "Consider having your child carry a flashlight so that they can see more easily and are easily seen," she notes. And even if your child is old enough to out without your supervision, always make sure he or she is in a group.

If you're still nervous, there are several tracking apps that can provide an extra layer of security to keep track of your children via cell phone without being intrusive. The Snap Secure Geo-fence for Android sets a virtual boundary. "If they stray from that perimeter, or don't return to a specified location within a certain period of time, it automatically sends you an e-mail alert," says Jiren Parikh, CEO of Snap MyLife, Inc. the developer of the app. Their other app, the Snap Secure Family Locator, "lets you check in on their exact location at any time, in real-time, by using your own mobile device or Web dashboard," he

Finally, keep in mind there

Safe and secure

costumes

Not only do you have to get your kid a costume, but you also have to make sure it won't hurt them. Here is some advice from the ACEP, a national medical specialty society representing emergency medicine, which wants to make sure your kid stays out of the emergency room this Halloween:

Avoid costumes that could cause children to trip, such as baggy pants, long hems,

high heels and oversized shoes. Also, make sure they don't obstruct the child's sight or vision and they are made out of flame-resistant materials, such as nylon or polyester.

- Add reflective tape to costumes so your child is more visible to motor vehicles and avoid dark colors.
- Check accessories such as swords, knives, wands and other pointed objects. Make sure they are made from flexible materials and have dulled edges.

➤ Keep your child safe while trick-or-treating.

are different ways to celebrate the holiday that don't involve going to strangers' houses.

"I'm a big fan of organizing a home or community party as

Additional safety tips from NCMEC

▶ Be sure children do not approach any vehicle, occupied or not, and make sure they get away quickly if someone gets out of a vehicle and starts to approach them.

Children should never

enter a home without his or her parent's permission.

Teach your child to say "No!" or "This is not my mother/father!" in a very loud voice if someone tries to get him or her to go somewhere.

an alternative to trick-ortreating," claims McBride.





my**kids**

Spooktacular ideas for kids' costumes

till in a tizzy about what to dress your little one up as for Halloween? Don't despair. Leslie Venokur and Risa Goldberg, founders of Big City Moms (www.bigcitymoms. com), an online resource for New York City moms and moms to be. shared with us the top trends they see for Halloween costumes this year.

The classics can't be beat. Venokur and Goldberg say the most popular costumes are still the classics, such as princess and storybook characters. For boys, superheroes are always

Use pop culture cues. Other popular costumes? The founders say they see kids

Showers ahead

Big City Moms are hosting what they are calling "The Biggest Baby Shower Ever" on Oct. 30 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. New and expectant parents can browse and shop baby es-

sentials, all while being treated to food, mocktails, spa activities and a huge gift bag.

The Metropolitan Pavilion, 125 W.18th St. \$125 for a standard pass, \$175 for a couples pass www.bigcitymoms.com

Gaga and even as "Angry

Dress kids as grown-ups. Kids love to play pretend about what they'll be when they grow up - why should it be any different for Halloween? Firemen, chefs, dancers and doctors are all top choices.

Get creative. Children should be encouraged to create their own characters. It's a great time to let your little artist's creativity shine!

Get spooky. According to Venokur and Goldberg, typical Halloween themes such as witches, vampires and ghosts are always in style. • METRO

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www.cityparksfoundation.org This new spin on the beloved fairy tale follows Hansel and Gretel on a Halloween-themed journey through Central Park and Belvedere Castle, meeting mermaids, pirates and monsters.

The Haunted **Pumpkin Garden**

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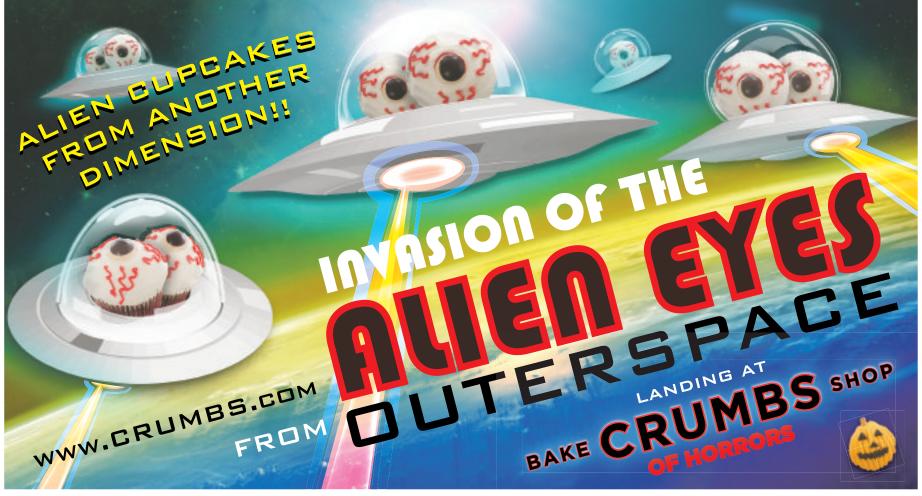
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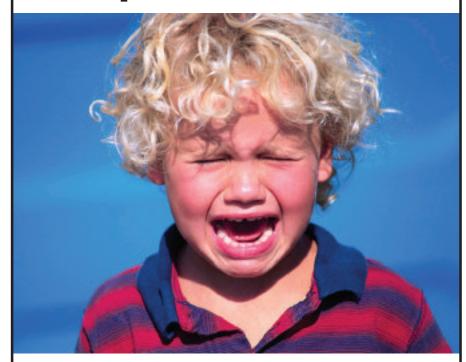
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Americans to spend more on their tricks and treats this year



When the black cats, witches and trick-or-treaters come out for Halloween this year, a record 170 million people in the United States will dress up, celebrate and spend up to \$8 billion, according to a retail industry survey.

Seven in 10 Americans will take part in the festivities, and the average person will spend \$79.82 on decorations, costumes and candy — up from \$72.31 last year, according to the National Retail Federation's 2012 Halloween consumer spending survey conducted by research group BI-Ginsight.

Americans will spend on Halloween this year

Halloween is the eighthbiggest selling season in the United States. It is far behind the winter holidays, which rank as the No. 1 retail selling season.

Among people celebrating Halloween this year, more than half will decorate their home or yard, up from 49.5 percent last year, and 45 percent plan to dress in costume. also up from last year, according to the survey.

More than one-third plan on throwing or attending a Halloween party, and 33.2 percent will take children trick-or-

Despite the expected increase in Halloween spending this year, one-fourth of U.S. consumers said the state of the economy will affect their Halloween plans. To compensate, many said they will spend less overall, while others plan to make a costume instead of buying one, or purchase less candy. REUTERS

Eat this

The teeth-friendly pumpkin cupcake

Forget the costumes — what's scary about Halloween is all the sugar that kids consume. Luckily, there's the pumpkin cupcake from Billy's Bakery In New York, made with Truvia Baking Blend. They were kind enough to share their recipe with us to keep you and your dentist happy:

Billy's Bakery pumpkin cupcake with cinnamon cream cheese frosting

For the cupcake:

- eggs
- 21/2 cups pumpkin puree
- cups Truvia Baking Blend cups oil
- cups flour
- tbsp. baking powder



The pumpkin cupcake be available at all Billy's

- tsp. baking soda
- tsp. nutmeg
- tsp. ginger
- tsp. cloves
- tsp. salt tbsp. cinnamon

- Mix eggs, pumpkin, sugar and oil together on medium speed for three minutes.
- Mix all dry ingredients together in a bowl.
- Add dry mix to pumpkin mixture all at once and mix on low speed until combined.

For cinnamon cream cheese frosting:

- 1½ lbs. cream cheese, softened
- lb. butter, softened
- tsp. vanilla extract
- cup cinnamon
- cups Truvia Baking Blend

Directions:

- Mix cream cheese and butter together on medium speed for one minute.
- Add sugar, vanilla and cinnamon and mix until combined on low speed.
- Once combined, turn up to medium speed and mix for three minutes until light and fluffy.
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Letters

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No country for old flip-floppers

Reading the letters Tuesday after the last presidential debate, during which Romney totally reversed himself on a number of issues, I was amazed to see how many finally get it.

For example, not long ago, one of the Republican talking points was "Don't set a date for leaving Afghanistan!" In the last debated, he said, "I agree with the president, we should get out by the end of 2014."

Another example: In the previous debate, he noted some parts of Obamacare he liked and would keep. The other night, he was back to overturning it totally, again. The media has been calling him out on these reversals all day today.

It looks like it doesn't

matter to some what Romney says because his voters' main issue is not defense or tax reform or energy policy. It is just defeating Obama.

And it appears to be based more on personal enmity than on anything else. I for one hope this country, finally, will move past this stuff toward a future based on understanding what the right thing is and doing it. PAUL SIMONS, VIA E-MAIL

If you're going to build a road, at least build it here

RE: "NO WINNER IN SUBDUED FINAL DEBATE" (METRO, OCT. 24) News columnist Susan Ferrechio states, "The debate generated less interest because it

was about foreign policy, not pocketbook issues." If only she or anyone in the news would finally do their job and inform people by reporting the truth: that the two ARE directly connected. Our defense and foreign policy spending is where the largest amount of our borrowing and tax dollars go. Reducing it would be the single greatest way to fix our economy and pocketbooks. Want to build a road in the U.S.? Pay for it with the money used to build one in Afghanistan.

JASON FARBER, VIA E-MAIL

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News columnist Susan Ferrechio's claim that there was no clear winner in the final debate is completely laughable. President Obama wiped the floor with Romney and his silk suit. However, Obama did

fail at one aspect of the debate: the economy. He failed to repeatedly state that our sluggish economy is the direct result of the policies of the Bush administration and that Romney's economic plan is a return to those exact failed policies!

ROBERT LA ROSA, VIA E-MAIL

Independence doesn't come with a nanny attached

We are two weeks away from the election. Gov. Romney survived three debates and all the liberal media bias. Romney is qualified and will be elected the next president of the United States.

President Obama tried the last four years. His ideas and policies did not work. We do not need Obamacare; more government programs are not the solution for the future. Romney has fresh ideas and a plan for the future that will make this country great again.

JOHN MCLAUGHLIN, VIA E-MAII.

Horoscope

 \mathfrak{M} Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22. Don't feel obligated to attend a social function just to keep up appearances. If you don't like the event and/or some of the people who'll be there, give your regrets.

✓ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21. Time is too precious to squander on just anything or anybody. Share it with those you truly like and enjoy doing things with.

13 Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19**. It could turn out to be a huge learning experience when you get involved in a stimulating discussion with someone whose views diametrically oppose yours.

Aquarius Jan. 20-Feb. 19. This can be an extremely favorable day in terms of financial gain, but not necessarily from investments or joint ventures. You'll play your own game for a big payoff.

H Pisces Feb. 20-March 20. Friends will have little doubt as to where you stand, and you'll be respected for your candor, even when your position opposes that of the majority.

T Aries March 21-April 19. An old obligation that has been owed you for quite a while is collectable at this point in time. Approach the debtor in such a way that he or she will get the message without resenting it.

Taurus April 20-May 20. You're likely to be approached to chair a committee within a certain group or club in which you're involved. It may be a tough job, but it will have interesting side benefits.

II Gemini May 21-June 20. Several of your goals are achievable, but not necessarily in the way you envision. If you discover you can't get past the obstacles blocking your path, you'll go around them.

Gancer June 21-July 22. The old adage "Experience is the best teacher" will be true in your case. When you discover you could once again repeat a mistake that cost you bitter moments, you'll circumvent it. Ω Leo July 23-Aug. 22. Someone who considers you to be an easy mark is in for a rude awakening. When push comes to shove, you'll be extremely resourceful.

My Virgo Aug. 23-Sept. 22. Even though you'll be negotiating from a position of strength, you'll still be fair in your dealings. You'll go out of your way to make sure that both you and the other guy come out well. ← Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23. Service you

render will be given both willingly and expertly. However, no one should expect a "freebie" because you value your work and the remuneration you deserve for it. BERNICE BEDE OSOL

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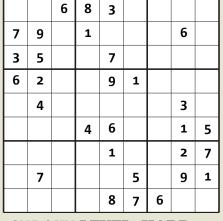
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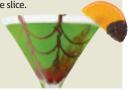
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- Chocolate syrup ▶ Grenadine
- ► Chocolate-dipped orange slice for garnish

Directions: Draw a chocolate web into a martini glass. Place in freezer and chill for a ghostly effect. Shake all ingredients and strain into glass. For a blood effect, drizzle grenadine down the side of the glass. Garnish with a chocolate-dipped orange slice.







Spirited show

Spanish artist Paco Cao's solo art exhibition opens the day before Halloween at (Art) Amalgamated Gallery (317 10th Ave., 212-334-0403), and he'll be treating every quest who comes to a tarot card reading. Regular tarot cards weren't spooky enough for the painter, so he created ones using the likeness of Amy Winehouse, Whitney Houston and other dead celebs to help you channel your idol of choice.



Van Goghst Punch

- ▶ 1 bottle Van Gogh Rich Dark Chocolate Vodka
- ▶ 12 oz. orange juice
- ▶ 12 oz. pomegranate juice ▶ 12 oz. club soda or lemonlime soda

Directions: Pour ingredients into a large punch bowl or pitcher filled with ice and stir to chill and dilute. Ladle or pour out into small punch glasses. Garnish with several sliced orange wheels.



Blood Red

- ▶ 1½ oz. Grand Marnier Cherry
- ▶ ¾ oz. blood orange juice ▶ ½ oz. POM pomegranate iuice
- **Directions:** Pour Grand Marnier Cherry, blood orange juice and POM into a shaker filled with ice. Shake well and strain into a rocks glass filled with ice. Garnish with a fresh orange peel.



SVEDKA After Dark

- ▶ 1 part SVEDKA Clementine
- ▶ ½ part Sour Cherry Schnapps
- 1 part mango juice ▶ ½ part orange juice
- Splash of lime juice
- Directions: Pour all ingredients into a cocktail shaker filled with ice, shake gently and strain into a glass. Garnish with candy corn.



Redrum

- ▶ 1½ oz. Ron Abuelo Añejo
- 2 oz. cranberry juice ▶ 1 oz. lemon juice
- ▶ ½ oz. simple syrup
- ▶ 10 fresh raspberries
- 5 mint leaves
- Dash Angostura bitters Splash of ginger ale
- **Directions:** Muddle raspberry

with the mint. Add the rest of the ingredients. Shake hard and strain into a highball glass and top with ginger ale.



Candy Corn Margarita

- ▶ 1 can frozen limeade
- ▶ 6 oz. Sauza Blue 100%
- Agave Silver Teguila 3 oz. orange liqueur
- 8 oz. orange soda
- ▶ 8 oz. light beer

Directions: Combine all ingredients in a pitcher. Chill and serve on a plate filled with candy corn.

MEREDITH ENGEL

Halloween listings

► Gemini and Scorpio's celebration of all things macabre is this Saturday at the **Brooklyn** Lyceum (227 Fourth Ave. at President St.). Get down to live music on two dance floors in the presence of circus arts and fire, and stick around for body painting and fortune-telling. Want to



really regret your night the next day? Head to the VIP absinthe tent a few blocks away. \$10-\$30, http://masquerademacabre. bpt.me

Come to the Americano (518 W. 27th St., 212-525-0000) on Halloween as your favorite Hollywood icon of yore for the hotel's Hollyween Party, offering a three-course dinner (\$65) from 6 p.m. to midnight and an afterparty at Bar Americano and El

Privado from 10:30 p.m. to close.

► The "Disturbinaly Divine" Halloween party at Pounds and Ounces (160 Eighth Ave., 646-449-8150) features a tasting menu built around the Seven Deadly Sins. Judging by "Lust" Kumamoto Oysters with blood orange, chervil and cayenne pop rocks — we're expecting some sinfully good fare. There's also a costume contest (first prize wins an open bar)

and specialty cocktails.

Masks and black-tie attire are required at the sixth annual Masquerade Ball at NOIR (151 E. 50th St., 212-753-1144) this Saturday. The mysteriously sexy affair will feature a DJ, photo exhibition and food by Michelin Star Chef Jean-Yves Schillinger. Tickets are \$25 online (www.brownpapert ickets.com) and \$30 at the door - that is, if all the ghouls haven't gotten to them yet. **METRO/ME**

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Get a view of the fall leaves on the Hornblower on its Hudson Valley Fall Foliage Yacht Experience. The 210-foot luxury yacht includes breakfast, a lunch menu and spiked cider alongside the 360-degree views. Prices start at \$159 for adults and \$95 for children. Cruises are this Saturday and next, from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Narrators will point out fun historical facts about New York along the way. www.hornblower.com.

Say hello to Staten Island

Learn to snap foliage during a nature photo walk Nov. 18 from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at Mount Loretto Unique Area. Bring a camera and hiking shoes. www.statenislandmuseum.org



Head to Bear

Mountain

It's the last weekend to join in on Circle Line's Bear Mountain cruise. Guests enjoy the fall foliage before being dropped off at Bear Mountain to enjoy Oktoberfest with live music, dancing, craft vendors and more. Boarding begins at 8:30 a.m. and the boat leaves at 9 a.m. It arrives back to Pier 83 at 5:30 p.m., both Saturday and Sunday. Tickets for adults are \$50, seniors \$41 and children \$31. Tickets for Bear Mountain Cruises can be purchased at the Pier 83 box office or online at www.circleline42.com.



If you'd rather hop on the subway, stop by the Wave Hill public garden and cultural center in the Bronx for a walking tour. Horticultural Interpreter Charles Day will share his favorite trees at the city park. The walks begin at 2 p.m. Oct. 31 and Nov. 7. They're free with admission: \$8 for adults, \$4 for students and seniors or \$2 for children older than 6. www.wavehill.org



▶ In addition to the Oktoberfest celebration, travelers can enjoy a full day of sightseeing, shaded picnic groves, fall foliage, a historic merry-go-round, hiking and more while at Bear Mountain.

Songza playlist



Songza horror

If you want to get into the spirit of Halloween and spook yourself silly, log on to www.metro.us/songza and www.songza.com/listen/ho rror-movie-scores-songza. It's a three-hour playlist of the most hair-raising, spinetingling and blood-curdling scores from the most iconic horror movies ever made. There's the sci-fi ooze of Bernard Herrmann's score to "The Day the Earth Stood Still," the classical eeriness of Howard Shore's score from "The Silence of the Lambs" and we're pretty sure you'll get to hear John Carpenter's opening theme to "Halloween," which may even placate the esteemed Mr. Michael Myers, pictured. If that doesn't work, he may have to go back to killing. Mwahahaha!

— Songza is a streaming platform that mines years of music history and today's music blogs for the best gems, so you don't have to. The company, which calls itself a music concierge service, offers thousands of expertly-curated playlists for free on the Web, iPhone and iPad. Each week Metro teams up with Songza to bring you fun new playlists as you enter into the weekend.









n a city packed with cupcake trucks, gelato shops, artisanal donuts and a dedicated rice pudding store, it's only fitting that macarons are taking over. The delicate Parisian confections — traditionally made with egg whites, sugar, almond flour and filled with ganache, jam or buttercream - are not to be confused with macaroons, the dense mounds of shredded coconut. Yes, the painstakingly perfect French pastries are seemingly everywhere these days, and we have the scoop on the best new flavors for fall.

Francois Payard Bakery

Multiple locations www.pavard.com

Francois Payard gives the Parisian classic a fall flare with his pumpkin macaron, available exclusively during the fall months. Traditional pumpkin pie flavors accent the ganache filling of this sandwich cookie, providing essential tastes of fall. Says Chef Payard, "Everyone associates fall with pumpkins, so I always love making some sort of pumpkin dessert. I wanted to do something different, so I created a spiced pumpkin ganache for pumpkin macarons. The pumpkin really stands out in these macarons." \$2.25 each

MacarOn Cafe

44 E. 59th St. and 161 W. 36th St.

www.macaroncafe.com

Crisp, chewy and known for lovely flavors like jasmin, honey lavender, violette flower and rose, this fall MacarOn Cafe oflimited-edition (and gluten-free) macarons in seasonal flavors including pumpkin cinnamon and chestnut. \$2.50 each

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With a new Upper West Side outpost, bakery and bistro Sugar & Plumm has Pichet Ong at





Macaron Parlour Patisserie

111 Saint Mark's Pl.

www.macaronparlour.com No stranger to experimentation when it comes to flavors, Christina Ha and Simon Tung of Macaron Parlour have also played around with savory and frozen fillings. This season, they're offering nut-free pumpkin pie (a take on the traditional pumpkin flavor, here made with pumpkin seeds), pecan pie (with toasted pecans and brown sugar bourbon buttercream), candied bacon with maple cream cheese and apple cider caramel (with diced honey crisp apples). \$2.50 each





Dana's Bakery

www.danasbakery.com Photo editor-turned-baker Dana Loia, the brains behind the namesake macaron line, is known for inventive flavors like creamsicle and birthday cake. This fall Dana has kept it somewhat traditional with pumpkin cheesecake (debuting in November) and champagne (sold in December). \$2.50 each



DANA'S BAKERY/THOMAS LIGGETT

Indulge in colorful macarons at Vendome. the helm in the pastry kitchen, burg and DUMBO featuring two fall flavors on www.vendomenyc.com

the menu: pumpkin (with milk chocolate and spiced pumpkin filling) and green apple (with a green apple reduction filling infused with white chocolate ganache). \$2.45 each

Vendome

411 Atlantic Ave., Brooklyn, and Smorgasburg in WilliamsTaryn Garcia, whose macaron colors are almost as stunning as they taste, has come up with flavor combos sure to evoke autumn. Look for roasted apple + Saigon cinnamon, spiced pumpkin + toasted coconut, black Perigord truffle + roasted chestnut, and Agrimontana hazelnut. \$2.50 each

Restaurant openings



► Sirio Ristorante The Pierre, A Taj Hotel, 2 E. 61st St. 212-940-8195

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▶ Burger Bistro 1663 First Ave., 646-368-1134

The popular Brooklyn joint known for its DIY burger menu and unique takes on classics donut burger, anyone? — has opened its first Manhattan location.

► Nick and Stef's Steakhouse Madison Square Garden, 9 Pennsylvania Plaza, 212-563-4444

Re-opening for the season, they've added a few new touches to the menu, including slow-roasted prime rib and more sides, like Szechuan long beans with pink peppercorns. OLIVIA MORROW

Dining

Restaurant events

Bordeaux Under One Roof

Sample the best Bordeaux wines from American importers while taking in the views of the city from the 61st floor of the Empire State Building at tonight's

Bordeaux Under One Roof (6:30-9 p.m., enter at 33rd or 34th St., 212-386-7438). You can also take part in pairing and mixology seminars. Tickets are \$50 and can be purchased at www.bordeauxunderoneroof.eventbrite.com.

Pumpkin and pancake **brunch at David Burke**

Enjoy a family brunch filled with fall-themed cuisine — and complimentary cider! — at the David Burke Kitchen at The James Hotel (11 a.m.-2 p.m., 23 Grand St., 212-201-9119). Kids can pick their own pumpkin from the pumpkin patch and learn how to carve a spooky design into it.

Tastings of Ireland at Dean & Deluca

Try a range of traditional Irish fare at Dean & Deluca SoHo (11 a.m.-4 p.m., 560 Broadway, 212-226-6800) on Monday as the shop hosts Good Food Ireland, a

celebration of Ireland's food and tourism. Guests can sample authentic Irish goods, including relish, cheeses and oatcakes, and mingle with Irish chefs.

Restaurant news

lt's 1 a.m. and you're starving ...

Sop up all the booze you've just gorged on at A.G. Kitchen (269 Columbus Ave., 212-873-9400), where the late-night menu

(Thursday from 11 p.m.-1 a.m. and Friday and Saturday from midnight-2 a.m.) boasts cubano sandwiches for \$10 and finger foods like bacon-wrapped dates for \$5. Specialty cocktails like the Peanut Envy (sounds weird, tastes good) are also on offer. And at The Pitch & Fork (1606 First Ave., 212-288-1003), you can tuck into burgers and shepherd's pie from 11 p.m-1 a.m. Sunday to Thursday and 11 p.m.-2 a.m. Friday and Saturday.

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ISLANDERS GET HIP

NHL franchise announces 2015
 move to Brooklyn, Barclays Center
 Team will keep same name, logo

The New York Islanders finally have a home.

Owner Charles Wang announced the franchise has agreed to move to Brooklyn's Barclays Center beginning with the 2015-16 season in a press conference yesterday.

"Today, we are announcing that the New York Islanders will remain in the local marketplace as we entered into a 25year agreement beginning with the 2015-16 season to play in this state-of-the-art building," Wang said. "I want to congratulate [Barclays Center majority owner and developer Bruce Ratner on achieving his goal of bringing professional sports back to Brooklyn as the New York Islanders will join the Brooklyn Nets at the Barclays Center. This announcement reunites these two franchises."

Along with Wang, Islanders general manager Garth Snow, vice president of corporate sponsorships Mike Bossy, assistant coach and senior advisor to the general manager Doug Weight and head coach Jack Capuano also represented the Islanders. NHL commissioner Gary Bettman was in attendance, as was Mayor Michael Bloomberg, Brooklyn Borough President Marty Markowitz, Barclays Center and Brooklyn Nets CEO Brett Yormark.

Wang said the negotiations with Barclays executives to move the franchise took "seven months." He added that he will remain as owner of the Islanders, who will retain their name, and that the team will honor the remainder of their lease at Nassau Coliseum.

Wang had long been frus-

Bettman reiterates NHL position

Following the Islanders' press conference, Bettman said it was up to "the Players' Association to either negotiate with us over the proposal to save the 82-game season or to make an offer, and they've declined to do either."

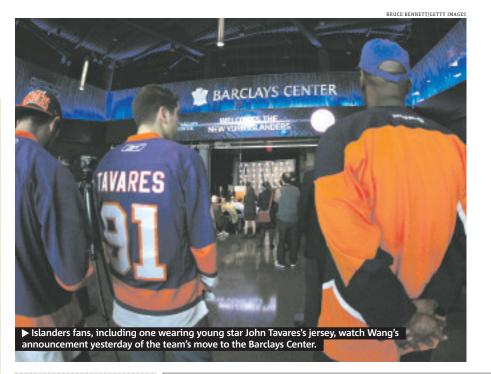
When asked by Metro if a shortened season was a possibility, Bettman said, "Sure, you can play an abbreviated season. I'd rather play a full season. And I'm sure our fans would rather [we] play a full season. That's why we made the offer we did. We very much want to play and we're very disappointed that we're not." METRO/DG

trated that plans to privately and publicly finance a new Nassau Coliseum had collapsed due to politics.

"We tried very hard to keep the Islanders in their original home in Nassau County," Wang said, before thanking Nassau County executive Ed Mangano "for trying to find a solution to keep us there.

"Our goal from the outset was to have the Islanders play in a local, world-class facility that possessed the amenities that our fans deserve."

"I am disappointed to learn



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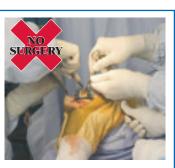
of the Islanders' plan to relocate to Brooklyn," Town of Hempstead supervisor Kate Murray said in a statement. "They've been a valued part of this region's identity, and we wish the team great success in the future."

The arena will host two regular season Kontinental Hockey League games in January. When asked by Metro if he would attend the KHL games, Bettman said, "probably not."





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Ryan wants Bush apology

Just a month removed from the "hot sauce" comments that landed him in hot water with one of the league's biggest stars, Jets head coach Rex Ryan is hoping for an apology for Reggie Bush's insulting comments.

Ryan later explained his "hot sauce" comment prior to the season's first



Dolphins game did not mean they planned to hurt Bush, as he thought.

In a radio interview, Bush said "what goes around, comes around," referring to Jets cornerback Darrelle Revis's season-ending knee injury against Miami.

"I apologize for my comments," Ryan said yesterday.

"I expect him to do the

"I think [Bush] got caught up in the moment. Obviously nobody likes to get hurt and that certainly wasn't my intention and I hope he understands that he doesn't ever have to say anything or reach out to Revis," Ryan said. "But I'd expect him to for the simple fact that's his peer, one of the elite players in the league."

KRISTIAN DYER

A-Rod remains focal point

Most of manager Joe Girardi's pre-game press conferences during nine postseason games focused on Alex Rodriguez.

Six days after the Yankees were swept out of the ALCS against the Tigers, Rodriguez remained the focal point of Girardi's postmortem press conference.

During a roughly 27-minute session with reporters vesterday. Girardi stated he expects Rodriguez to be back when spring training begins.

"I expect Alex to be our every day third baseman, I do," Girardi said. "What's he going to have to show me? That's he's



healthy and ready to go, that's the bottom line, that he has no concerns and we have no concerns about putting him out

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Rodriguez has hit 30 home runs 14 times in his career. Over the last two seasons,

while playing 99 and 122 games respectively, he has 34 home runs and 73 extra-base hits combined.

"They were down on Derek Jeter, I guess it would have been last year, the first three months they were concerned about what was going on and his productivity," Girardi said. "We saw what he did the second half and then what he did this year. So you always have a chance as a player to rewrite things and make an adjust-



in brief



Girardi not worried about Sabathia

At some point soon, CC Sabathia will visit with noted orthopedist Dr. James Andrews in Florida. Many pitchers who make that trip wind up with major surgery, but Girardi is not expecting that to be the case with his ace left-han-

"Obviously we know that CC had a little bit of a groin problem, a little bit of an elbow problem, during the course of the season. Joe Girardi said. "He

pitched very well for us down the stretch which made me feel good about what's going on. At times people need to be evaluated to make sure that everything is OK."

Even with two brief DL stints over the summer, Sabathia wound pitching 200 innings and winning 15 games for the sixth straight season. **METRO/LF**

Rivera expected back next season

A day after getting hurt, an emotional Mariano Rivera



said he planned on coming back. Being a first-hand witness to some of

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Rivera's rehab process, his manager agrees.

"I don't think you push a rehab like he pushed it unless you have some interest in possibly coming back, Girardi said." O METRO/LF

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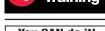


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